

House Resolution 1278

By: Representatives Davis of the 109th, Lunsford of the 110th, Yates of the 73rd, Starr of the 78th, and Watson of the 91st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dr. Jack Parish; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Jack Parish began his work in education as a teacher and a coach at
3 Riverdale High School in Clayton County; and

4 WHEREAS, after working at Riverdale High School for seven years, Dr. Parish made the
5 decision to continue his professional career in Henry County, where he himself was educated
6 as a youth; and

7 WHEREAS, for the last 20 years, Dr. Parish has served the Henry County school system in
8 the positions of assistant principal, principal, assistant personnel director, assistant
9 superintendent for curriculum and instruction, and for the past seven years as superintendent;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, as superintendent of schools, Dr. Parish is committed to the school system's
12 mission of "Ensuring Success for Each Student," and he firmly believes that remaining
13 focused on this mission will enable the school system to achieve its goals of becoming one
14 of the top performing school systems in the state and in the nation; and

15 WHEREAS, this magnificent educator is truly involved in education in Georgia and in his
16 community as evidenced by his membership in numerous professional and community
17 organizations such as the American Association of School Administrators; the Georgia
18 Association of Educational Leaders Board of Directors; the Georgia School Boards
19 Association's Superintendents' Advisory Board; Congressman Lynn Westmoreland's
20 Education Advisory Council; the Griffin Regional Education Service Agency's Board of
21 Directors; the Henry County Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors; the Henry County
22 Board of Health; and Mercer University's Educational Leadership Advisory Board, in
23 addition to serving as a trustee for the Smith Foundation and as President-Elect of the
24 Georgia School Superintendent's Association; and

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Parish is also a devoted husband to his wife with whom he lives in
2 McDonough, Georgia with their two dogs, Ben and Scout; and

3 WHEREAS, it is Dr. Parish's goal to prepare students to be successful and productive
4 citizens in the 21st century and, with the help of an experienced staff of quality teachers and
5 administrators dedicated to educational excellence, he has met that goal and continues to plot
6 a forward course for education in Henry County.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
8 the members of this body commend Dr. Jack Parish for his devotion and tireless commitment
9 to both students and educators and to improving the quality of education in Henry County
10 and in the State of Georgia.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
12 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Jack Parish.